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I. Title  Maltby, George Williams, 1820-1901, Papers, 1854-1865.

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deposited in the Library on May 1983, by Mrs. Herbert M. Short
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VII. Biographical note:  See page A

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VII Biographical note:

Papers in the enclosed folders belonged to George Williams Maltby, tailor living and working in New Haven, Conn., in the mid 1800's. The Maltby papers, principally business records, came to light when a ceiling at 277 Dwight St., New Haven was torn down.

According to records found in Maltby-Morhouse Family, George Williams Maltby was the son of Augustus Maltby (1789-1821) and Nancy Townshend, daughter of Robert and Hannah White Townshend. Augustus Maltby was the first child of Colonel and Deacon Stephen Maltby and Abigail Williams Maltby, of Northford, Conn.

George William Maltby was the third child in a family that included two brothers: Theodore Dwight (b. 1816?) and Augustus (b. Dec. 1818). George Williams Maltby (Sept. 11, 1820-March 8, 1901) married Sarah Bogart Thibaut (May 10, 1821-Sept. 27, 1907), daughter of John and Hester Thibaut, of Bergen County, N.J.

George Williams Maltby and Sarah Maltby were the parents of five children: Theodore Augustus (b. March 19, 1847), Emily Williams (b. Nov. 8, 1848), Eleanor Augusta (b. May 12, 1850), George Ellsworth (b. Feb. 9, 1852), and Charles Townshend (b. Sept. 8, 1858).

Both George Williams Maltby and his wife Sarah are buried in New Haven's Grove St. Cemetery.

VIII Analysis:

With two exceptions, the Maltby Collection deals with George Williams Maltby's tailor business. Contained in one box, the nine folders consist of miscellaneous business papers, clothing orders from customers, customers' measurements, letters of regret or protest from customers who owed money to Maltby's tailor business, and several undated items.

Two family letters were dated 1865, one from Uncle Augustus to niece Emily telling her he cannot attend her wedding, and a second, from either a friend or relation, who wished to call on the Maltby family.

The first mention of Maltby as a tailor in New Haven appeared in the New Haven city directory of 1841 when he was listed as a cutter with a business at 138 Chapel St., 24 Church St. In 1846 the business moved to 140 Chapel St., h. 21 Crown St. and remained at those addresses through 1849 when the home address became 36 W. Chapel St.
In 1855 Maltby listed the name of his firm as George W. Maltby and Co., merchant tailors at 40 Chapel St., where he remained until 1860 when the business moved to 306 Chapel St. During the same period the family residence changed from 69 Howe St. to 56 Greene St.

According to the New Haven city directory of 1874, Theodore joined his father in the tailor business and the firm became George W. Maltby and Son, located at 139 Dwight St. in 1876.
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George Williams Maltby Collection, 1854-1865

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